## ESTABLISHMENT FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Although Mississippi does not regulate the establishments, the Mississippi State Board regulates the licensed massage therapist who work there. Therefore, the establishments have some responsibilities under The Professional Massage Therapy Act, as follows:

## **Rule 202.A.6**

It is the responsibility of a massage therapy establishment to verify the current license of any and all persons practicing massage therapy at the location of or on behalf of the establishment. Failure to comply is subject to penalty assessed by the Board of not less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) and not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) per offense.

## **Rule 202.A.7**

It is the responsibility of the licensee, as massage therapy establishment, a Board approved school, and/or a separate advertising entity to verify and include current license numbers in all advertising, no matter the format. (§ 73-67-29 (7). Failure to comply is subject to penalty assessed by the Board up to One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) per offense. See exemption in § 73-67-21 (2) which reads ....Massage establishments with six (6) or more licensed massage therapists shall be exempt from the advertising provisions found in Section 73-67-29 provided that the therapy or service is performed by person(s) licensed under this chapter.

## **Rule 202.B.7**

Refusal to make available to representatives of the Board full information as requested.  $1^{st}$  violation \$1,000;  $2^{nd}$  violation \$2,500.

Please refer to Chapter 11 Massage Establishments for other responsibilities regarding advertising, business license, inspections and other requirements.

How long is a Spa required to keep intake forms on file? One year